



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Applications:

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | GROUP ART UNIT | STATUS |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| € 08/963,984 | 11/4/1997 | 2724 | Pending 6546129 |
| ر 19/334,749 | 6/17/1999 | 2721 | Pending 6535416 |
| 09/688,108 GC09/676,949 | 10/16/2000 | 2671 | Pending Allowed |
| €\$€09/676 , 949 | 10/2/2000 | Unknown | Pending Parch Shefall |
| 2 (615,577) | 7/13/2000 | Unknown | Pending |
| a/30/a/ | | | - |

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Because an Office Action on the merits has not been received, Applicants submit that no fee is due for consideration of the information cited herein. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessary to deposit account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above information.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010.

All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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